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INPUT STAGE THRESHOLD ADJUSTMENT FOR HIGH-SPEED DATA COMMUNICATIONS

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Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, the undersigned assignee of record, by virtue of an assignment submitted concurrently herewith for recording, of the above-identified patent application, hereby elects to conduct the prosecution of the above-identified patent application to the exclusion of the inventors. The assignee hereby revokes any powers of attorney previously granted and appoints Derek E. Minihane, Reg. No. 39,774, Robert R. Jackson, Reg. No. 26,183, and Jeffrey H. Ingerman, Reg. No. 31,069, its attorneys, with power of substitution, and with power of appointment of associate attorneys, and of revocation of their powers, to prosecute this application and any divisions, continuations in whole or in part, renewals and reissues of the same, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith;

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